STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING

THE FILING OF ANNUAL REPORTS BY

WATER CARRIERS

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING AND PUBLIC HEARING

DOCKET NO. 3506

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1 et seq. and 42-35-3 et seq. of the Rhode

Island General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission will conduct a public hearing

on Friday, May 9, 2003 at 10:00 AM in a the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities

Commission at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island for the purpose of establishing

rules and regulations to govern the submission of financial annual reporting by common water

carriers. The regulations will apply to common water carrier of persons and/or property

operating upon water between termini within the State of Rhode Island with annual revenues of

\$100,000 or greater.

The proposed regulations are on file at our office and may be examined there. Copies of

the proposed regulations may be obtained by calling the Clerk's office at 401-941-4500, in person

or from the Commission's website at www.ripuc.org/docket/3506page.html.

Interested parties and members of the public wishing to offer data, views or arguments

regarding the proposed regulations may do so either orally on the day of the hearing or in writing

prior to the hearing date. In addition, written comments will be accepted at the above

address until 4:00 PM on May 19, 2003. An original and nine (9) copies of written comments

must be filed with the Clerk.

Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

Specifically Sections, 42-35-1, 42-35-2, 43-35-3, 42-35-4, 42-35-5, 39-1-1, 39-1-3, 39-1-11, 39-

1-18 and 39-1-38.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED. INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR THE HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRED MUST NOTIFY THE COMMISSION CLERK'S OFFICE AT 941-4500, SEVENTY-TWO HOURS IN ADVANCE OF HEARING DATE.

Luly E. Massaro Commission Clerk April 16, 2003